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For : DDS COMPOUND AND METHOD FOR MEASUREMENT THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the instant application and calculation of filing fees, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.